

MachXO3D Hardware Checklist

Technical Note



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Acronyms in This Document

A list of acronyms used in this document.

Acronym	Definition
I ² C	Inter-Integrated Circuit
JTAG	Joint Test Action Group
LVDS	Low-Voltage Differential Signaling
PCB	Printed Circuit Board
PLD	Programmable Logic Device
SPI	Serial Peripheral Interface
SRAM	Static Random Access Memory
SSPI	Slave Serial Peripheral Interface



1. Introduction

When designing complex hardware using the MachXO3D™ PLD, you must pay special attention to critical hardware configuration requirements. This technical note steps through these critical hardware requirements related to the MachXO3D devices. This document does not provide detailed step-by-step instructions but gives a high-level summary checklist to assist in the design process.

The MachXO3D PLDs are low power, instant-on, Flash based devices. They have an internal linear voltage regulator which supports external V_{CC} supply voltages of 3.3 V or 2.5 V.

This technical note assumes that the reader is familiar with the MachXO3D device features as described in the MachXO3D Family Data Sheet (FPGA-DS-02026).

The critical hardware areas covered in this technical note include:

- Power supplies as they relate to the MachXO3D supply rails and how to connect them to the PCB and the associated system.
- Configuration and how to connect the configuration mode selection for proper power up configuration.
- Device I/O interface and critical signals.

Important: Refer to the following documents for detailed recommendations.

- Power Decoupling and Bypass Filtering for Programmable Devices (FPGA-TN-02115)
- Power Estimation and Management for MachXO3D Devices
- MachXO3D sysI/O Usage Guide
- Implementing High-Speed Interfaces with MachXO3D Devices
- MachXO3D Programming and Configuration Usage Guide (FPGA-TN-02069)
- Using Hardened Control Functions in MachXO3D Devices (FPGA-TN-02117)

2. Power Supply

The V_{CC} and V_{CCIO0} power supplies determine the MachXO3D internal *power good* condition. These supplies need to be at a valid and stable level before the device can become operational. In addition, there are five (V_{CCIO1} to V_{CCIO5}) supplies that power the remaining I/O banks. Table 2.1 shows the power supplies and the appropriate voltage levels for each.

Refer to the MachXO3D Family Data Sheet (FPGA-DS-02026) for more information on the voltage levels.

Table 2.1. Power Supply Description and Voltage Levels

Supply Voltage (Nominal Value) Description		Description		
	V _{CC}	2.5 V/3.3 V	Core power supply	
	V _{CCIOx}	1.2 V to 3.3 V	Power supply pins for I/O Bank x. There are up to five I/O banks.	



3. Power Estimation

Once the MachXO3D device density, package, and logic implementation are determined, power estimation can be performed using the Power Calculator tool, which is provided as part of the Lattice Diamond[®] design software. While performing power estimation, you should keep two specific goals in mind.

- Power supply budgeting should be considered based on the maximum of the power-up in-rush current, configuration current or maximum DC and AC current for a given system environmental condition.
- The ability of the system environment and MachXO3D device packaging to support the specified maximum operating junction temperature.

By determining these two criteria, system design planning can take the MachXO3D power requirements into consideration early in the design phase.

This is explained in Power Estimation and Management for MachXO3D Devices.



4. Configuration Considerations

MachXO3D devices contain two types of memory, SRAM and Flash. SRAM is volatile memory and contains the active configuration. Flash is non-volatile memory that provides on-chip storage for the SRAM configuration data.

The MachXO3D device includes multiple programming and configuration interfaces:

- 1149.1 JTAG
- Self-download
- Slave SPI
- Master SPI
- Dual Boot
- I²C
- WISHBONE bus

For ease of prototype debugging, it is recommended that every PCB should have easy access to the programming and configuration pins.

The configuration logic arbitrates access from the interfaces by the following priority. When higher priority ports are enabled, Flash access by lower priority ports will be blocked.

- JTAG Port
- Slave SPI Port (SN low activates the SPI port)
- I²C Primary Port

Note: Erased device has all programming and configuration ports enabled by default. When the device is erase ensure SN and PROGRAMN are not driven low.

For a detailed description of the programming and configuration interfaces, refer to MachXO3D Programming and Configuration Usage Guide (FPGA-TN-02069).

The use of external resistors is always needed if the configuration signals are being used to handshake with other devices. Pull-up and pull-down resistor (4.7 k Ω) recommendations on different configuration pins are listed below.

Table 4.1. Default State of the sysCONFIG™ Pins

Pin Name	Pin Function (Configuration Mode)	Pin Direction (Configuration Mode)	Default Function (User Mode)
PROGRAMN	PROGRAMN	Input with weak pull-up, external pull-up to V _{CCIOO} .	PROGRAMN
INITN	1/0	I/O with weak pull-up.	User-defined I/O
DONE	1/0	I/O with weak pull-up, external pull-up to Vccioo.	User-defined I/O
MCLK/CCLK	SSPI	Input with weak pull-up. MCLK function requires external 1 k Ω pull-up.	User-defined I/O
SN	SSPI	Input with weak pull-up, external pull-up to V _{CCIO2} .	User-defined I/O
SI/SPISI	SSPI	Input	User-defined I/O
SO/SOSPI	SSPI	Output	User-defined I/O
CSSPIN	1/0	I/O with weak pull-up, external pullup to Vccio2.	User-defined I/O
SCL	I ² C	Bi-Directional open drain, external pull-up.	User-defined I/O
SDA	I ² C	Bi-Directional open drain, external pull-up.	User-defined I/O
TDI	TDI	Input with weak pull-up.	TDI
TDO	TDO	Output with weak pull-up.	TDO
TCK	TCK	Input. Recommended 4.7 kΩ pull-down.	TCK
TMS	TMS	Input with weak pull-up.	TMS
JTAGENB	1/0	Input with weak pull-down.	1/0



5. Master SPI

When configuring from an external SPI Flash, ensure that the SPI Flash V_{CC} and the MachXO3D V_{CCIO2} are at the same level. Ensure that the SPI Flash V_{CC} is at the recommended operating level.

6. PROGRAMN Initial Power Considerations

The MachXO3D PROGRAMN is permitted to become a general purpose I/O. The PROGRAMN only becomes a general purpose I/O after the configuration bitstream is loaded. When power is applied to the MachXO3D device, the PROGRAMN input performs the PROGRAMN function. It is critical that any signal input to the PROGRAMN have a high-to-low transition period that is longer than the V_{CC} (min) to INITN rising edge time period. Transitions faster than this time period prevent the MachXO3D device from becoming operational. Refer to the description of PROGRAMN in MachXO3D Programming and Configuration Usage Guide (FPGA-TN-02069).

7. Pinout Considerations

The MachXO3D PLDs support many applications with high-speed interfaces. These include various rule-based pin-outs that need to be understood prior to the implementation of the PCB design. The pin-out selection must be completed with an understanding of the interface building blocks of the FPGA fabric. These include IOLOGIC blocks such as DDR, clock resource connectivity, and PLL usage. Refer to Implementing High-Speed Interfaces with MachXO3D Devices for rules pertaining to these interface types.

8. True-LVDS Output Pin Assignments

True-LVDS outputs are on the top bank (Bank 0) of the MachXO3D devices. When using the LVDS outputs, a 2.5 V or 3.3 V supply needs to be connected to the Bank 0 V_{CCIO} supply rails. Refer to MachXO3D sysI/O Usage Guide for more information.

9. Back Leakage Considerations

When the part is powered down, there are some situations where current is still present due to active I/O, similar to a hot socketing situation. This can potentially cause the internal voltage supply to rise to power-on reset levels and start device operation. To mitigate for this back leakage current, it is recommended to add a weak pulldown resistor to the voltage supply. This should be set to value sufficient to keep the voltage below the POR trip point of the device with the worst case I/O back leakage current applied.



10. Checklist

	MachXO3D Hardware Checklist Item	ОК	N/A
1	Power supply		
1.1	Core supply VCC at 2.5 V or 3.3 V		
1.2	I/O power supply VCCIO 0-5 at 1.2 V to 3.3 V		
1.3	Power estimation		
2	Configuration		
2.1	Configuration options		
2.2	Pull-up on PROGRAMN, INITN, DONE		
2.3	Pull-up on SPI mode pins		
2.4	Pull-up on I ² C mode pins		
2.5	JTAG default logic levels		
2.6	PROGRAMN high-to-low transition time period is larger than the VCC (min) to INITN rising edge time period		
3	I/O pin assignment		
3.1	True LVDS pin assignment considerations		



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